

## **Assignment Wordpress Blog + Blot Mini Site**

The goal of this project is to try out two different CMS systems and practice coding and building both a website and blog. By learning about how to manage files you will be able to effectively use both of these systems to build larger more complex sites. This will be the final project for the class.

### **Task**

#### **Part 1: Wordpress Blog**

Choose an idea for your website, you will carry your content and concept through for both your Wordpress blog + your Blot Mini-site. It could be something that you already want to build or something that has an outside purpose. You should be able to generate all the content yourself.

Here's a place you could start if you're stuck for ideas  
<https://www.are.na/ian-mcdonald/an-idea-for-a-website>

Sign up using your Lehigh SSO for a Wordpress blog  
<https://confluence.cc.lehigh.edu/display/LKB/Lehigh+WordPress+FAQ>

Choosing a template model or adjusting the CSS in a template that you find add in 4 blog posts with content and include an about page. This will be a 'blog' but it could be used for any purpose.

**Part 1 is due Tuesday April 12th.**

#### **Part 2: Blot Mini Site**

With the content you started with from your Wordpress Blog, now expand on that content to make your Blot mini site. You should

sign up for Blot and dropbox. David from Blot will be available to answer any technical questions you may have.

With Blot you will choose a template and build your site utilizing that template. Your site should have at least 10 posts of content, some writing or captions and an about page. You should include custom CSS to personalize your site as well as any graphic or design elements. You should create a 'Style Tile' for yourself that includes all relevant color choices, type sizes and styles and any icons, graphics or images that relate to your content.

**Part 2 is due Thursday May 5th at the end of class**

**This project is worth 35% of your grade**

**Here are the things I'm looking for in your project**

Creates unique content, relevant to the project at hand, correctly sizing

Understands and grasps CMS systems, and where your content lives in both Wordpress + Blot

Able to code with Markdown as a shorthand

Able to create and deliver on time

Customizes templates with CSS or other code